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BANDING SYSTEM INCLUDING AN )  
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WRAPPING AN ELONGATED )  
ARTICLE SUCH AS A STACK OF )  
INTERFOLDED PAPER TOWELS )  
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CONTINUOUS BANDING SYSTEM )  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the continuation application, please amend the application as follows.